BENTON CONSOLIDATED HIGH SCHOOL
Benton, Illinois 62812
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
October 20, 2022

The Board of Education of the Benton Consolidated High School District #103 met in Regular Session on Thursday, October 20, 2022 at 5:00 P.M. in the District Board Room. Secretary, Mitch Bennett called the meeting to order.

Mark Dyel opened in prayer and Kenny Irvin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board members present: Mitch Bennett, Secretary; Robby Cockrum, Mark Dyel and Kenny Irvin. Board members absent: Shane Cockrum, Marci Glover, and Robin LaBuwi.

Others present: Benjamin Johnson, Superintendent; Sean Docherty, Principal; Ron Giacone, Board Attorney; Ronda Suver, Board Recording Secretary; Kenise Head, Staff Member; Student Council Representatives and Community Members.

Mark Dyel made a motion to appoint Mitch Bennett as President Pro-tempore. Robby Cockrum seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

4. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- **4.1 Appointment/Compensation/Discipline/Performance of Personnel**
- **4.2 Collective Bargaining**
- **4.3 Security Procedures, School Building Safety and Security**

Executive Session – Mark Dyel made the motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss the Appointment, Compensation, Discipline, and Performance of Personnel; Collective Bargaining; and Security Procedures. Kenny Irvin seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

The Board; Benjamin Johnson, Superintendent; Ron Giacone, Board Attorney; and Ronda Suver, Board Recording Secretary entered into an Executive Session in the Executive Board Room at 5:03 P.M.

Open Session - The Board reconvened in an Open Session at 5:44 P.M. Mark Dyel, Secretary Pro-tempore called the roll. Answering present: Robby Cockrum – yes, Mark Dyel – yes, Kenny Irvin – yes, and Mitch Bennett – yes. Board Members absent: Shane Cockrum, Marci Glover and Robin LaBuwi.

Others present: Benjamin Johnson, Superintendent; Sean Docherty, Principal; Ron Giacone, Board Attorney; Ronda Suver, Board Recording Secretary; Kenise Head, Staff Member; Student Council Representatives, and Community Members.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

- **5.1 Approve Minutes: Public Budget Hearing Minutes, September 22, 2022**
  Regular Board Meeting Minutes, September 22, 2022
- **5.2 Approve Financial Report (September 2022)**
- **5.3 Approve Payment of Bills (September 2022)**
- **5.4 Review/Approve MOU with BEA to Mitigate Cost of a 13th Health Insurance Premium Payment on Behalf of the Employees Participating in the Plan (ENCL A)**
- **5.5 Review/Approve MOU with Cafeteria Employees to Mitigate Cost of a 13th Health Insurance Premium Payment on Behalf of the Employees Participating in the Plan**
- **5.6 Review/Approve MOU with Bus Drivers to Mitigate Cost of a 13th Health Insurance Premium Payment on Behalf of the Employees Participating in the Plan**
- **5.7 Review/Approve MOU with Custodial and Maintenance Employees to Mitigate Cost of a 13th Health Insurance Premium Payment on Behalf of the Employees Participating in the Plan**

Mark Dyel made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Kenny Irvin seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, members voted as follows: Robby Cockrum – yes, Mark Dyel – yes, Kenny Irvin – yes, and Mitch Bennett - Yes. Motion Carried. A copy of the memorandum of understandings have been attached to and made a part of these minutes.

6. ADMINISTRATIVE REMARKS

Mr. Johnson commented on the following:

- Roofing Project Update
- Financial Update

Written reports were provided by Mr. Docherty and Mr. Miller.

7. COMMENTS FROM VISITORS Linda Kleine, parent, requested to speak with the board and administration regarding an employee.

Duane Williams, community member, expressed his concern regarding mandated vaccines for students.

8. OLD BUSINESS Mark Dyel made a motion to approve the reimbursement to Reggie Norman from the Boys' Golf activity account as presented. Kenny Irvin seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

9. NEW BUSINESS

9.1 Assignment of Personnel Kenny Irvin made a motion to approve Scott Page and Reece Johnson as Volunteer Boys' Basketball coaches for the 2022-23 school year pending complete and positive national agency checks and completion of the ASEP. Robby Cockrum seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

9.2 Review/Approve Posting of Open Positions Mark Dyel made a motion to authorize the administration to post the position of Teacher's Aide as available for the 2022-23 school year. Kenny Irvin seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

9.3 Review/Approve Surplus Property as Presented Robby Cockrum made a motion to approve the surplus property as presented. Mark Dyel seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

9.4 Review/approve Proposal to Install Gable Roof on Administrative Building Mark Dyel made a motion to approve the proposal to install a gable roof on the administrative building as presented. Kenny Irvin seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

9.5 Review/Approve Bus Lease Mark Dyel made a motion to table this item to the next meeting of the Board of Education. Kenny Irvin seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

9.6 Review/Approve School Maintenance Project Grant Application Mitch Bennett made a motion to approve the application for school maintenance project grant as presented. Kenny Irvin seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

10. BOARD OF EDUCATION REMARKS

11. ADJOURNMENT Mark Dyel made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:02 P.M. Mitch Bennett seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

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BOARD PRESIDENT PRO-TEMPORE **BOARD SECRETARY PRO-TEMPORE**